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## PROMINENT WOMAN SUFFRAGE WORKER GIVEN DISTINCTION

Miss Pressley Smith Is Assistant Secretary of Christiana Legation.

London, Dec. 3.—The appointment of a prominent suffragist leader, Miss Pressley Smith, as an assistant secretary in the British Legation at Christiana is a departure in British policy and a tribute to the work of British women in the war. When the campaign for suffrage was being waged before the war, Sir Edward Grey declared himself as a supporter of equal rights for the sexes, and several members of Parliament asked if the Minister of Foreign Affairs would dare to show the courage of his convictions by appointing women to the diplomatic service. A practical answer to the question has now been given. Norway itself was the pioneer nation in this movement, having a woman secretary of legation on its own diplomatic roll.

Miss Pressley Smith has been the organizer of the National Union for Suffrage in Edinburgh for the last two and a half years, and since the war began has shown fine organizing ability in the management of societies for the relief of soldiers and sailors, and their families. Prominent advocates of the woman's movement have been urging the government to open the higher branches of the civil service to University women and have urged their suitability for diplomacy. There is no doubt that Miss Smith will be persona grata in Norway, since that is a suffrage country, where women are eligible to all branches of the public service, except the army and the church.

Miss Pressley Smith was one of a band of women who went into the fields as berry-pickers to obtain first hand knowledge of the conditions un-

der which women worked. The result of their experience was to persuade employers to raise wages, and to furnish decent shelter and food for the hundreds of women and girls who are drafted from the cities in summer by the great canning firms.

#### AUSTRALIAN MINERS OFFER UNIT OF ARMY

Melbourne, Australia, Dec. 3.—The Miners' Unit which the Commonwealth government recently offered to raise, equip and send to the front is now in process of formation. It will be composed of three companies enrolled in districts in Australia devoted to mining, and thus probably New South Wales and Queensland will supply one, West Australia another and the three other states the third. The total strength of the force will be about 1,000 men.

The officers of the unit are all to be drawn from the mining specialists in the Commonwealth. There will be a headquarters staff and to this a few geologists will be attached.

New Zealand is also making a departure in recruiting a corps of skilled miners and miners' assistants.

#### SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Trinity M. E. church was the scene of a very pretty wedding last evening when Miss Marion T. Williams of Stratford was married to Robert Giesler of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Giesler left after the wedding for a short trip. On their return they will welcome their friends at their home at 168 French street.

Among those present to wish them many years of happiness were the bride's sister, Miss Myrtle Williams; Mr. and Mrs. John Bellucci and family, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Giesler and family, Mrs. John Rail and daughter, and W. E. Curtis of Milford.

The British steamer Lincolnshire, Calcutta for Boston and New York, arrived at Port Said badly damaged, as a result of striking a bank of the Suez Canal.

## TWO SEMI-ANNUAL SPREES FOR LIMIT IF BILL IS PASSED

William Hoyt of Milford and Rev. Kenneth MacKenzie Endorse Idea.

If William T. Hoyt of Milford and Rev. Kenneth MacKenzie, rector of Christ Episcopal church in Westport, have their way, two sprees a year will be the limit for New Yorkers and three will mean that he cannot take another for the rest of his life.

Mr. Hoyt is the president of the National Defense association and such gentlemen as Henry Ford, Charles S. Mellen and Jack London are credited with believing that the New York state 1916 legislature will be too intelligent to reject the bill outlined yesterday in a meeting on the steps of the Grand Central Terminal building by the National Defenders.

According to the "No Drunkard Bill" in the first place if you want to take a drink you must have a card, which is to be made of durable cardboard and will be issued at the city hall on the payment of \$1. A concession to the bashful is that the cards may be issued by mail. After you get your card, you rest one foot on the brass rail, face the bartender, and ask for your favorite tipple.

"Lemme see your card," challenges the barkeep. You show your card and may there-after take aboard as much cargo as you can carry without tacking. When you begin to tack, your card is of no more service, for if the barkeep sells you another drink he forfeits a big bonus he has left down at the city hall. The first time one is arrested for intoxication or treated by a physician, one gets a warning with his headache; the second time, one loses one's license for the year; the third time, one is out of the game forever and one's license forever and can never have another drink, the bill says.

No, you can't borrow your friend's card, for if you are caught using it, there is a fine of \$100 and 30 days in jail for the offender. And if one is caught buying a drink without a card, both the buyer and the seller go to jail. If one is really ill, one may get a doctor's prescription, but it may be used only once. A physician sends the user forthwith to the jail.

The association reported yesterday that 1,000 men in the city had agreed to take out cards if the law is passed. It was estimated that there are many others to join the 1,000 pioneers.

The finest thing about the plan, according to the officials of the association, is that one has the best excuse had to take a drink. This is how it will work:

"Come on, Henry, take me down to the cabaret. I'm dry."

"Sorry, dear, but I haven't a card."

This is good, of course, whether one has a card or not. And, by the way, women must have cards, too, and they must certify that they are 21 or more to get them. If a man thinks his whole family needs alcohol, he can get a family license for \$5, but he must specify by whom it is to be used. The family license can be used only when the head of house is along. If wife goes to tango teas and does ought but tango, she must have her own license. Yes, they will come in different colors to match one's gown. You see, the plan is to be thoroughly reasonable.

W. T. Hoyt told all about the plan yesterday after the 30 extra men will be added to the local force of the Adams Express Co. employees. At present the company is operating 23 single teams, two double teams and a large truck for delivery purposes. More teams and trucks will be added to this equipment when the Christmas business begins. A meeting of the employees to prepare a schedule of working hours and operations, will be held at the branch office in the railroad station Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

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## DUTCH CONTRABAND LAWS ARE EVADED IN CLEVER MANNER

Fats and Oils Come Across Frontier in Guise of Margarine and Soap.

Amsterdam, Dec. 3.—The Dutch newspapers have recently been turning a search light on the frontier traffic which is alleged to be furnishing Germany with many commodities which she needs. According to the Telegraf, there is little actual violation of the letter of the Dutch regulations regarding contraband, but there is a great deal of skilful evasion which is proving very profitable to the Dutch trader.

Fats and oils are contraband, and therefore offer difficulties to the smuggler, but margarine and "soap" are in the list of allowed exports. A cartoon in the Telegraf shows an endless train of wagons winding along a country road towards the frontier, each wagon loaded with cases labelled "Margarine" and "Soap," and a note underneath the picture reads "Fats and oils are contraband, but margarine and soap are all right, so here we go!"

A correspondent writing from Berge-op-Zoom which is one of the most convenient points for export to Germany, says: "Each freight train which comes in seems to contain a greater or smaller number of cases of so-called margarine. The platform is littered with them, the storeroom is piled almost to the ceiling. Outside, the station yard is thronged with vehicles. I counted 31 carts, five hand-carts, several dogcarts, and 30 men with bicycles. The entire troop is commonly referred to by residents of Bergen as 'the smugglers.'"

"As rapidly as possible the cases are hustled out from the station and immediately the procession starts for the frontier. There are three roads from Bergen across the frontier, but the leniency of the customs officials seems to vary considerably at the three points, and one road is followed by the majority of the margarine-laden wagons.

"I am told that an average of about 20,000 pounds of margarine and 2,000 pounds of soap is sent over the frontier each day. The margarine is commonly believed that the so-called margarine is unobtainable, and that the 'soap' is useless for washing. The soap, it is said, is a composition of lard and tallow, and is a great demand in Germany, while the 'margarine' is said to be composed of certain elements useful for lubrication."

It was at Bergen just a year ago that the heaviest influx of Belgian refugees reached Holland. The town today is reaping the reward for the warm-hearted welcome with which it received and fed the refugees, for Bergen to-day, out of the heavy profits of its trade with Germany, is enjoying an unprecedented prosperity.

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### Weather Forecast

New Haven, Dec. 3.—Forecast: Fair tonight; Saturday partly cloudy.

Connecticut: Probably fair tonight and Saturday. Not much change in temperature. Light to moderate variable winds.

The slight disturbance which passed over this vicinity yesterday is central near Nantucket, Mass. It caused flurries of snow in the eastern portion of the lake region and New England. Another disturbance which is central this morning over Iowa is causing unsettled weather in the upper Mississippi valley and western portion of the lake region. A well defined storm area is central this morning on the north Pacific coast.

An area of high pressure is central on the Gulf coast and is causing very low temperatures in the southern districts. Freezing temperatures were reported as far south as Pensacola, Fla., and light frosts as far south as Tampa, Fla.

### REMINGTON-YOST CO.'S GENERAL MANAGER IN TALK TO FACTORY HEADS

Fred J. Miller, general manager of the Remington-Yost Typewriter Co., spoke last night to 47 heads of departments and chief clerks of the Yost factory in this city. The party had dinner at the Stratfield hotel at 7:30 o'clock. The dinner was the first of a series of get-together meetings which have been planned. Mr. Miller explained that his company desired the co-operation of all employees.

### PASTOR WIEMER WILL CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Special services will be held at the German Reformed church next Sunday when the pastor, Rev. Herman G. Wiemer, will begin the eighth year of his pastorate. At the morning service Mr. Wiemer will preach a special sermon and there will be a special musical program by the augmented choir. He came to this city from Baltimore, Md., where for 16 years he had held one pastorate.

### MAJOR MITCHELL AND MRS. MITCHELL LEFT NEW YORK FOR ATLANTA CITY, N. J., TO SPEND A WEEK

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## FOOD SHORTAGE CAUSE OF RIOTS BY PORTUGUESE

Lisbon, Portugal, Dec. 3.—Portugal is more remote from the seat of war than any other country in Europe, but it is suffering a scarcity of food that is as serious as that in some of the belligerent countries.

Provision stores and depots are the scenes of almost daily riots in protest against the conditions. On the night of October 21, for instance, a mob of 2,000 men, some of them armed with pick axes and other implements, stormed the provision store of an important English dealer in the Almada district and plundered the place. The Republican Guard, which crossed the river to restore order, was received by the mob by shots and bombs. The guard fired several volleys and numerous persons on both sides were wounded.

The scarcity of food is due in part to the fact that successive governments of Portugal have bound themselves to supply Great Britain with certain quantities of provisions sent to Gibraltar. Under this agreement large numbers of cattle and miscellaneous provisions are sent out of the country every week with the result that there has been almost no meat in the markets of Lisbon. The supply is also less than half of what it is in ordinary times, the shortage being partly due to the fact that a good many eggs are sent surreptitiously over the border into Spain, where they may be sold for double the price fixed officially by the government in the food markets here.

### ITALIANS CLIMB ALPS; CAPTURE ENEMY FORCE

Rome, Dec. 3.—Alpine climbing, the favorite sport of the Italians, has been put to good use in the army by many members of the Alpine and Ski clubs. Lieut. Marco Elter, who, in the past, has made many perilous ascensions, lately took an important Austrian entrenchment and post of observation, climbing barefoot with three Alpine guides from the mountainous neigh-

borhood of the Valley of Oosta, the face of an apparently perpendicular precipice from which he let down rope over twenty yards long with which he pulled up two platoons of less agile soldiers who were at the bottom. When they fell upon the unsuspecting entrenchment of the enemy and took it by storm the Austrians thought they must have dropped from the clouds as they said that it was utterly impossible that any human being could have made his way up the bare wall of rock which they described as "as steep as the side of a house."

### RELATIVES OF MANY DEAD SOLDIERS ARE DISINTERING BODIES

Berlin, Dec. 3.—So frequent have been the pleadings of relatives to be allowed to disinter the bodies of their soldier-kin who have fallen at the front and been buried there, and bring them back home for re-interment, that the military authorities have relaxed their rules somewhat.

Bodies of soldiers may now be brought back under the following conditions: If they lie in single, individual graves, not in graves in which a number are buried or in graves that form part of a row; the exact location of the grave must be indicated, by sketches if possible; a relative or friend who is vouched for as able to identify the body must superintend the disinterment; the body may be transferred only by horse-drawn vehicles and trains, not by automobiles; transfer on military trains is free, on others subject to the customary charges; the regulations in force in peace time govern the removal of bodies of men who have died from dangerous diseases.

### LARGE ATTENDANCE AT BOYS' BRIGADE MINSTRELS

A large attendance greeted the Boys' Brigade Minstrels last evening at their armory, North avenue and Renner street. There was an hour and a quarter of minstrel and one and a quarter hours' vaudeville. The mechanical scenic and electrical effects were fine. The local hits, songs and rymes received big applause. It will be repeated tonight.